

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Delete Paragraph 0004 in its entirety as follows:

~~The object is solved by a shelf base having the features of claim 1.~~

Before Paragraph 0001, insert the following:

--Background of the Invention --

Before Paragraph 0003, insert the following:

--Brief Summary of the Invention --

Before Paragraph 0013, insert the following:

--Brief Description of the Drawings—

Before Paragraph 0020, insert the following:

--Detailed Description of the Invention --